

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 380

Mr. EMANUEL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that Representative BEAN's name be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 380. Her name was inadvertently added.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR CONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3311, AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY RE- PAIRS AND RECONSTRUCTION OF INTERSTATE I-35 BRIDGE IN MIN- NEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA; MAKING IN ORDER AT ANY TIME CONSID- ERATION OF S. 1927, PROTECT AMERICA ACT OF 2007; AND MAK- ING IN ORDER AT ANY TIME CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3222, DE- PARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2008

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent

(1) that the House hereby concurs in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3311; and

(2) that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of August 4, 2007, to consider S. 1927 in the House under the following terms:

All points of order against the bill and against its consideration are waived except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI;

The bill shall be considered as read;

The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to its final passage without intervening motion except: (a) 1 hour of debate equally divided among and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the committee on the Judiciary and the chairman and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence; and (b) one motion to recommit; and

(3) that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of August 4, 2007, for the Speaker, as though pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3222) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes; and that the first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with; all points of order against consideration of the bill are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI; points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI are waived; and no general debate shall be in order and the bill shall be considered for amendment under the 5-minute rule; no amendment to the bill may be offered except:

Pro forma amendments offered at any point in the reading by the chair-

man or ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees for the purpose of debate;

An amendment by Mr. ROGERS of Michigan increasing funding for cooperative threat reduction programs;

An amendment by Mr. FRANKS of Arizona regarding missile defense;

An amendment by Mr. SESSIONS striking section 8020;

An amendment by Mr. ISSA regarding public disclosure of the aggregate amount of funds appropriated for the National Intelligence program;

An amendment by Mr. WALBERG limiting funds to award grants or contracts based on race, ethnicity or sex;

An amendment by Mr. CASTLE limiting funds for certain contract awards unless certain conditions are met;

An amendment by Mr. CASTLE authorizing the use of funds for certain reserve leave policies;

An amendment by Mr. CAMPBELL of California limiting funds for the Swimmer Detection Sonar Network;

An amendment by Mr. CAMPBELL of California limiting funds for Paint Shield for Program People from Microbial Threats project;

An amendment by Mr. INSLEE regarding the National Security Personnel System;

An amendment by Mr. UPTON or Ms. HARMAN regarding use of Energy Star certified light bulbs;

An amendment by Mr. CONAWAY regarding use of reductions made through amendment for deficit reduction;

An amendment by Mr. FLAKE limiting funds for the National Drug Intelligence Center;

An amendment by Mr. FLAKE limiting funds for the Concurrent Technologies Corporation;

An amendment by Mr. FLAKE limiting funds for the Lewis Center for Education Research;

An amendment by Mr. FLAKE limiting funds for the Presidio Trust;

An amendment by Mr. FLAKE limiting funds for the Atmospheric Water Harvesting Project;

And an amendment by Mr. FLAKE limiting funds for the Doyle Center for Manufacturing Technology.

Each such amendment may be offered only by the Member named in this request or a designee, shall be considered as read, shall not be subject to amendment except that the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and the Subcommittee on Defense each may offer one pro forma amendment for the purpose of debate; and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

Except as otherwise specified, each amendment shall be debatable for 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. An amendment shall be considered to fit the description stated in this request if it addresses in whole or in part the object described.

At the conclusion of the consideration of the bill for amendment, the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted; and

The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Maryland?

There was no objection.

PERMISSION TO REDUCE TIME FOR ELECTRONIC VOTING DURING FURTHER PROCEEDINGS TODAY

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that, during further proceedings today in the House and in the Committee of the Whole, the Chair be authorized to reduce to 2 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any question that otherwise could be subjected to 5-minute voting under clause 8 or 9 of rule XX or under clause 6 of rule XVIII.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Maryland?

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS AND RECONSTRUCTION OF INTER- STATE I-35 BRIDGE IN MIN- NEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the order just entered, the Senate amendment to H.R. 3311 is concurred in.

The text of the Senate amendment is as follows:

Senate amendment:

In section 1112(b)(1) of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (as added by section 3), strike subparagraph (B) and insert the following:

“(B) use not to exceed \$5,000,000 of the funds made available for fiscal year 2007 for Federal Transit Administration Discretionary Programs, Bus and Bus Facilities (without any local matching funds requirement) for operating expenses of the Minnesota State department of transportation for actual and necessary costs of maintenance and operation, less the amount of fares earned, which are provided by the Metropolitan Council (of Minnesota) as a temporary substitute for highway traffic service following the collapse of the Interstate I-35W bridge in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on August 1, 2007, until highway traffic service is restored on such bridge.”

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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PROTECT AMERICA ACT OF 2007

Mr. REYES. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the previous order of the House, I call up the Senate bill (S. 1927) to